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Preview of Presentation

- Quality initiatives – objectives
- Quality initiatives – tactics and tools
- Quality initiatives – the Commission's role
- Health IT – objectives
- Health IT – tactics and tools
- Health IT – the Commission's role

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Quality Initiatives

Quality Initiatives -- Objectives

- Reduce medical errors

- Improve patient safety

- Drive the health care system's adoption of best clinical practices

- Improve coordination of care across providers, particularly for complex patients

- Change patient behavior to improve each person's overall health

Quality Initiatives – Tactics and Tools

- Payment
  - Pay-for-performance
  - Consumer-directed health
  - Financing for wellness and prevention
  - Eliminate payment for non-efficacious care
- Transparency and reporting
  - Public reporting
  - Dissemination

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Quality Initiatives – Tactics and Tools (con't)

- Infrastructure
  - Electronic health records
  - E-prescribing
- Research
  - Identify and develop evidence-based guidelines
  - Identify and develop accepted performance measurement standards

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Quality Initiatives – Tactics and Tools (con't)

- Aggregation
  - Managed care (HEDIS, CAHPS, etc.)
  - Care coordination and disease management
  - "Partnerships"

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Quality Initiatives – the Commission's Role and Tools

- Payment recommendations?

- Transparency/reporting recommendations?

- Infrastructure recommendations?

- Research recommendations?

- Aggregation recommendations?

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Health Information Technology

Health IT -- Objectives

- Clinical information exchange across a patient's various health care providers

- Create early alert system (e.g. polypharmacy)

- Reduce errors created by multiple manual entry process

- Reduce administrative time and waste associated with multiple manual entry process

- Protect confidentiality and data security

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Health IT – Tactics and Tools

- Electronic health records
  - Defining data standards, security standards, etc.
  - Investment in adoption
- E-prescribing
- Information exchanges (data warehousing)

Health IT – the Commission's Role and Tools

- Electronic health record recommendations?
  - Recommendations about defining data standards, security standards, etc.?
  - Recommendations about financing the investment in adoption?
- E-prescribing recommendations?
- Recommendations about information exchanges (data warehousing)?

Questions

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